

7<sup>th</sup> June 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you for your patience with the newsletter this week. We had a couple of power shortages in the offices which affected admin computers, copiers and internet access. It is all sorted now and has enabled us to share the amazing #BigHelpOut which celebrates National Volunteer Week

First of all, thank you to all the staff members who helped tidy up the outdoor learning spaces for Early Years and Key Stage 1. The space looks fabulous and the children really enjoyed planting as a part of their Science topics. They even managed to have a go at hanging baskets which will provide some welcome cheer as they come into flower.

On Saturday, we participated in the Big Help Out. Thank you to all those who came to help tidy the grounds. We achieved so much: the Centenary Garden has been strimmed and the stream has been brought back. We have created some sensory spaces with the garden and planted some herbs. The allotment has been completely dug over; cabbages, more herbs and strawberries have been planted. We also managed to replace the whole fence around the allotment. Such is the enthusiasm for the project, we have been asked to have an eco team and a gardening club. Please look out for pictures on the website (although we had some very camera shy folk). The industrious families who came were very well prepared with wheelbarrows, spades, strimmers and an angle-grinder – all of which were put to good use! The results are incredible and our children will delight in using our amazing outside space this week. Thank you.



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## Merits

We are delighted to have been awarded **Foundation level of the British Council's prestigious International School Award** in recognition of our work to bring the world into the classroom.

The International School Award celebrates the achievements of schools that do exceptional work in international education. Fostering an international dimension in the curriculum is at the heart of the British Council's work with schools, so that young people gain the cultural understanding and skills they need for life and work in today's world and we would like to thank Miss Patel for leading on this.

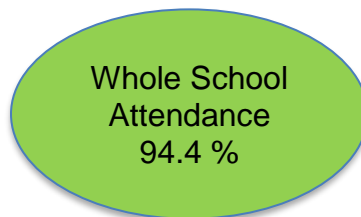
Well done to all those who go over and above every day.

EYFS	Ollie
Year 1	Sarah
Year 2	Leo
Year 3	Sofia
Year 4	Abel
Year 5	Nel
Year 6	Anthony
Headteacher Award	Miss Patel

## Attendance

Much improved attendance this week with some very high attendance. Well done for Reception for coming to school every day.

Our target is



Key Stage 2 learners went into the woods this week with Claire from **GSMB**. They enjoyed getting to know each other using Forest School names, working on growing as a Forest School team and creating some magical woodland crafts & dens! Everyone has been super excited this week and we can't wait to delve into more Forest School magic next week.

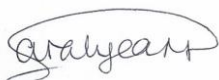


Play.Learn.Explore sessions run on Wednesdays 10.30-11.45 and are tailored for learners under the age of 5. There's still space to join GSMB just send a message to their Facebook page and they'll get back to you!

Thank you for the donations ready for our **Summer Fayre on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2024**. Our next non-uniform day will be **Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June** in return for sweets. Any and all kinds will be gratefully received.

We would also encourage everyone to download the eSchools app which is completely free and enables updates, texts and notifications sent to your phone quickly and easily.

Yours sincerely,



Mrs Jeans and Staff

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